

Torrance Road Needs Set at \$89,000,000

An estimated \$89,000,000 must be spent within the next 15 years to keep up with Torrance's traffic and population growth.

So stated John V. Russell, director of public works, in a report required under the Federal Highway Act.

Included in the estimate are 46.9 miles of primary streets and highways; 12.15 miles of secondary highways; and 279 miles of residential streets.

Primary highways, including expressways and major highways, will cost \$51,798,000.

This includes acquisition of

rights of way, grading, surfacing, bridges and grade separations.

Expressways planned are Del Amo Blvd. from Western ave. to Hawthorne Blvd., and from the Redondo Beach city limits to Western ave.

Among the major highways considered are 190th st. from the Redondo Beach city limits to Western ave.; Anza ave. from 190th st. to Pacific Coast hwy.

Other major highway improvements are Redondo Beach Blvd. from Hawthorne Blvd. to the Gardena city limits; Crenshaw Blvd. from Redondo Beach Blvd. to the Torrance south city limits.

Prairie and Madrona aves. from Redondo Beach Blvd. to Lomita Blvd.; widening of all of Torrance Blvd., Carson St., Lomita Blvd., Palos Verdes Blvd., Calle Mayor, Western ave. and Hawthorne Blvd. south of Pacific Coast hwy.

Secondary streets to be improved at a cost of \$4,307,000 are all of Arlington, Cabrillo, Post and Marcelina aves. and 182nd st. Roadways would be widened to 84 ft.

Not in the city list because they are state projects are the proposed Coast Freeway, which would run parallel to Anza ave., and the proposed Ocean Freeway, near Pacific Coast hwy.

Examinations For 2 Police Posts Called

Exams for two top police posts will probably be given sometime in September, according to Walter Bradford, secretary to the Torrance Civil Service Board.

The Torrance City Council last week called for promotional exams for the posts of police chief and assistant chief.

Tests will be conducted by L. J. Kroeger & Co., the city's personnel consultants.

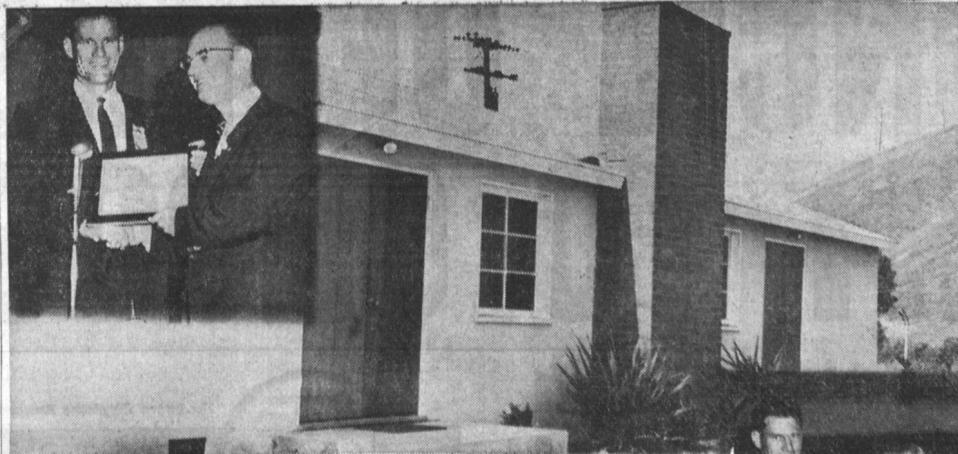
Acting Police Chief Percy Bennett and Det. Capt. Ernie Ashton will be eligible for the police chief exam while the assistant police chief job is open to men with five years on the police force and having achieved the rank of lieutenant.

'Happy Time' Slated for September

The successful productions of Charles Gray, local director of Accent Theatre! have added many more followers to the already success satisfied patrons of the little theater group.

Many local residents were delightfully entertained by the recent show, "Light Up The Sky" which ended with its fifth week last Saturday.

Soon the cast will be announced for the next play, "The Happy Time" which is to be presented sometime in September. This play revolves around a French family in Canada and is concerned with gay family situations.



OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT

Donald Matthews, president of the Waleria Business Men's association, accepts awards presented to the group for outstanding services to Waleria youth, climaxed by a Scout Hall pictured above. One plaque was presented on behalf of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce (above) by President A. E. Thompson and the other on behalf of the National Recreation association by Herma Tillim, chairman of the Torrance Recreation Commission.—Press Photo

Waleria Business Men's Club Honored for Youth Activities

Highlight of a dinner sponsored by the Waleria Business Men's club last week was the presentation of two awards for recreational contributions to Waleria youth made by the organization.

The plaques, calling attention to the outstanding job done by club members, were presented on behalf of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce and the National Recreation association.

The impressive roster of youth activities was reviewed by Loring Bigelow, dinner chairman, climaxed with the conversion of the old Waleria recreation building into a Scout Hall, standing like a proud landmark at the Madison st. foothills.

Presentations The Chamber presentation was made by President A. E. (Tommy) Thompson while Mrs. Herma Tillim, chairman of the Torrance Recreation commis-

Bob Kelsey, president of the group, called a meeting of the board on Tuesday night, at the home of the Paul Harestads, to appoint the technical crew for this next production.

First Easter sunrise service in Waleria Park. Free Saturday night movies during the summer and purchase of a new screen. Waleria firemen helped out financially. Monthly dances during the summer and fall in the newly finished recreation hall. Drive to obtain lights for park baseball diamond. Financial aid to Waleria PTA carnival. Annual Christmas party, financed partially by the builders of Pacific Hills. Christmas baskets and toys.

Community Picnic 1950—Support pledged to the YMCA. Considerable aid given to an incurably ill child of a destitute Waleria family. Athletic activity during spring. Drive for lighted ball field successful, "light" ceremony. First annual community picnic. Football games in the fall, with three teams active. Carnival support and Christmas party. (Christmas parties consist of entertainment, appearance of Santa Claus, toys or Christmas stockings. One year as many as 700 youngsters participated).

1951—Financial support to the YMCA; athletic teams; Easter services; financial aid to Cub Scout group; transportation to youth activities. Plans made for obtaining larger and better recreation building. Also other annual activities started in previous years.

1952—Same activities as previous years.

1953—Beginning of sponsorship of Boy Scout Troop 240. Arbor Day.

1954-1957—Continued youth activities mentioned. In addition, more scout troop activities; graduation parties at club house; community parades prior to picnics; school activities; and clearing house for youth matters.

1957—New recreation building in Waleria Park, through effort of club and Recreation Commis-

sion. Torrance Sand and Gravel Co. made space available for location of Scout Hall.

Fund raising activities included individual assessments among members; sale of refreshments at different functions; a scrap drive ("Just at the time the price on junk metal fell to rock bottom"); dances; mayor contest; the annual picnic; turkey raffle and dance each November; sale of Christmas trees. A fireworks sale is being planned for the coming year.

Stevenson Participates In A-Tests

Army Pfc. Kenneth L. Stevenson, son of Lawrence J. Stevenson, 510 E. 132nd st., Hawthorne, is taking part in the 1957 summer nuclear test series at the Atomic Energy Commission's Nevada test site near Las Vegas. Stevenson is participating in an indoctrination program to familiarize military personnel with the effects of atomic weapons.

He entered the Army in November, 1956, and completed basic training at Ford Ord.

The 23-year-old soldier, also the son of Mrs. Virginia B. Evans, 1008 Maple ave., attended Torrance High school.

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